

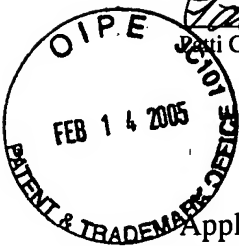
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 10, 2004, the two-month period for responding in order to provoke an Advisory Action ending after February 10, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendment.

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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